

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following claims will replace all prior versions of claims in this application.

1. (Currently Amended) An attachment apparatus for a container, comprising:

a guide member having at least two guide rails, said guide rails each having a slotted track, said slotted track having a height adjustment slot having a slot length and at least ~~[[one]]~~ two arm slots connected to and extending outwardly a predetermined distance from the height adjustment slot; and

a connector member operatively connected to and movable in the slotted track of each ~~[[to]]~~ said guide rails and wherein each arm slot is connected to the height adjustment slot so that the connector member is movable between the height adjustment slot and each arm slot, wherein each arm slot terminates at an end portion within the guide rail, and wherein the connector member is adapted to be engaged by a hook or attachment element of a container retrieving hoist mechanism of a transport vehicle so that the attachment apparatus can be moved ~~and moveable in said slotted tracks.~~

2. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the connector member extends through the slotted track in each guide rail present, and wherein with respect to a longitudinal direction, the guide rails are substantially parallel or each disposed at an angle of about 1° to about 45° with respect to vertical with upper ends of the guide rails being closer together than lower ends of the guide rails.

3. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein each guide rail has a thickness of from about 0.25 to about 3 inches.

4. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the track has about ~~[[1]]~~ 2 to about 12 arm slots, and wherein at least one arm slot terminates at an end portion which is located a distance of about 2 to about 12 inches from a rear edge of the guide rail.

5. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 4, wherein each guide rail has a front edge which is spaced an average distance of about 4 to about 36 inches with respect to a front edge of at least one other guide rail, and wherein about 4 2 to about 8 arm slots are present.

6. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the guide rail thickness is about 0.3 to about 2 inches, and wherein the guide rails are connected to a back plate.

7. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the guide rails are substantially parallel to each other and the slotted track has a comb configuration.

8. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a front wall of a container is connected to the guide member of the apparatus.

9. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 6, wherein a front wall of a container is connected to the guide member of the apparatus.

10. (Currently Amended) A transportable container having a height adjustable attachment apparatus, comprising:

a container body comprising a base and a front, upright section attached to said base;

a guide member having at least two guide rails, said guide member attached to said container front section; and

a connector member operatively connected to and moveable in a slotted track in each of said guide rails, wherein said slotted track has a height adjustment slot and at least one arm slot extending a predetermined distance from the height adjustment slot wherein the connector member includes portions which extend through the slotted track in each guide rail and end elements which prevent removal of the connector member from the slotted tracks and wherein each arm slot is connected to the height adjustment slot so that the connector member is movable between the height adjustment slot and each arm slot. wherein each arm slot terminates in an end portion within the guide rail.

and wherein the connector member is adapted to be engaged by a hook or attachment element of a container retrieving hoist mechanism of a transport vehicle so that the attachment apparatus can be moved.

11. (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) A container according to claim ~~[[11]]~~ 10, wherein the connector member extends through the slotted track in each guide rail present, and wherein with respect to a longitudinal direction, the guide rails are substantially parallel or each disposed at an angle of about 1° to about 45° with respect to vertical with upper ends of the guide rails being closer together than lower ends of the guide rails.

13. (Currently Amended) A container according to claim 12, wherein the slotted track has ~~about 4~~ 2 to about 12 arm slots, and wherein each guide rail has a thickness of from about 0.25 to about 3 inches.

14. (Original) A container according to claim 13, wherein the guide rails are substantially parallel to each other, and wherein the guide rails are connected to a back plate with the back plate connected to the container upright section.

15. (Currently Amended) A container adjustable attachment apparatus, comprising:

a guide member having at least two side members capable of being attached to a container;

optionally a back plate capable of being attached to a container and said side members being attached to said back plate;

each said side member having a slotted track therein having at least a substantially vertical adjustment slot and at least two arm slots connected to and extending outwardly a predetermined distance from the substantially vertical adjustment slot in a substantially horizontal direction;

each said side member slotted track having a said vertical adjustment slot and said horizontal slots in substantial alignment with the remaining slotted tracks; and

a connector member located within said slotted track of at least two said side members and being slidably movable therein,

said connector member being capable of receiving an attachment element of a transport vehicle for moving said attachment apparatus, wherein each arm slot is open to the height adjustment slot so that the connector member is movable between the height adjustment slot and the arm slots, and wherein each arm slot terminates in an end portion within the guide rail guide member.

16. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the connector member extends through the slotted track in each side member present, wherein with respect to a longitudinal direction, the side members are substantially parallel or each disposed at an angle of about 1° to about 45° with respect to vertical with upper ends of the side members being closer together than lower end of the side members, and wherein the track has ~~about 4~~ 2 to about 12 substantially horizontal slots and wherein at least one horizontal slot terminates at an end portion which is located a distance of about 2 to about 12 inches from a rear edge of the side member.

17. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 16, wherein said back plate is present, and wherein the angle between said back plate and each rail is about 60° to about 120°.

18. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 17, wherein about ~~[[1]]~~ 2 to about 8 substantially horizontal slots are present and wherein the side members are substantially parallel to each other.

19. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein the slotted track has a comb configuration.

20. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said guide member back plate is connected to a container comprising a front wall and a base.

21. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the connector member includes portions which extend through the slotted track in each

guide rail and end elements which prevent removal of the connector member from the slotted track.

22. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the connector member includes portions which extend through the slotted track in each guide rail and end elements which prevent removal of the connector member from the slotted track.